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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Daniel GOODMAN, et al.

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FOR: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR SEAMLESS INTEGRATION OF
PREPROCESSING AND POSTPROCESSING FUNCTIONS WITH AN
EXISTING APPLICATION PROGRAM

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicant request entry of the following Preliminary Amendment. No new material is being added with this amendment.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Enclosed is page 25 of the claims (claim 1 - 3) which should be inserted into the application.

REMARKS

Page 25 is the first page of claims, and includes claim 1, 2, and 3. Claims 1, 2, and 3 are directed to subject matter disclosed on pages 15 – 17 of the description, following the heading "Window to File Relationships". Thus, no new material is introduced by the submission of page 25. In particular, the preamble of claim 1 is supported by the first paragraph of page 15, while the first two claim steps, i.e. the steps beginning with "loading by an operating system . . ." and "establishing by the message monitoring program . . .", are supported by the third paragraph of page 15. The step

beginning with "loading the message monitoring program library . . ." is supported by the last paragraph of page 15, while the last two steps of claim 1 are supported in the top paragraph of page 16. Claim 2 is also supported by the top paragraph of page 16. The first two steps of claim 3 are supported by the first full of page 16, while the third step of claim 3 is supported by the first full paragraph of page 17. Since the subject matter of claims 1, 2, and 3 is fully supported by the description, Applicant urges that no new subject matter is introduced by the submission of page 25, and it is further urged that with this submission Applicant is still entitled to the May 15, 2001 filing date of this application.

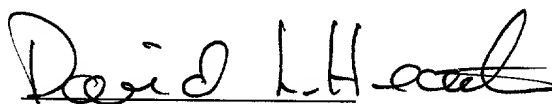
AUTHORIZATION

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge all required fees to the Greenberg Traurig Deposit Account 50-1561.

Respectfully submitted,

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